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In re Application of )  
Geoffrey W. ABBOTT et al. )  
Serial No. 09/550,163 ) ATTENTION:  
Filed: 14 April 2000 ) LICENSING AND REVIEW  
For: minK-RELATED GENES, FORMATION )  
OF POTASSIUM CHANNELS AND )  
ASSOCIATION WITH CARDIAC )  
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING CONCEPTION OF INVENTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to a Notice regarding conception of the above-identified invention (Form PTOL-456), submitted herewith are two Declarations Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.68, signed by the inventors.

Acknowledgement to the undersigned of receipt of the same will be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

By

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